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1. BELGIAN DELEGATES TO TOKYO MEETING AS FOLLOW:

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2. WE DOUBT THAT BELGIANS WILL RAISE ANY MAJOR ISSUES DURING TOKYO MINISTERIAL MEETINGS. GOB IS BOUND INTO EC POSITIONS REACHED WITH DIFFICULTY EARLIER THIS YEAR, AND WILL NOT BE INCLINED TOWARD INDEPENDENT INITIATIVES. (BRUSSELS REFTEL NOTES, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT BELGIANS WERE CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE FRENCH UNILATERAL DECLARATION AT TOKYO WHICH COULD SOUR ATMOSPHERE.) THIS APPRAISAL IS SUPPORTED BY COMPOSITION OF GOB DELEGATION, WHICH SEEMS TO US TECHNICALLY RATHER THAN POLITICALLY ORIENTED. MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE ON TRADE MATTERS ARE DE DOBBELEER, STUYCK AND THYSBAERT.

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